WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D. C.

ORDER NO. 2374

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IN THE MATTER OF:

Served September 28, 1982

Application of TARA LINES, INC.,)	Case No	. CP-82-07
for Special Authorization to)		
Perform Charter Operations Pursuant)		
to Contract Forest Service)		

By application filed September 10, 1982, Tara Lines, Inc., seeks authorization to operate pursuant to WMATC Special Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity No. 1 under a contract with the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) -- Forest Service, transporting Department of Agriculture employees, together with mail, express and baggage in the same vehicle with passengers, over irregular routes, between USDA Forest Service offices at the Rosslyn Plaza Building and the Commonwealth Building, both at Rosslyn, Va., on the one hand, and, on the other, Independence Avenue, S. W., Washington, D. C.

Order No. 2370, served September 15, 1982, generally describes the evidence submitted with the application, and that order is incorporated by reference herein. The Commission required publication of notice and the filing of an affidavit of publication. Applicant complied with these requirements and no protests to the application were received by the Commission within the time set therefor.

Commission Regulation No. 70 provides that an application of this type will be granted if it is determined that the applicant is fit, willing and able properly to perform the proposed service and to conform to the provisions of the Compact and the rules, regulations and orders of the Commission thereunder, and if it is determined that the proposed operations conform to the provisions of Regulation No. 70. The issue of whether the public convenience and necessity require such service has been determined in Case No. MP-79-04. See Order No. 2004, served June 20, 1979.

Inasmuch as the proposed contract is for a fixed term of at least 181 days and provides for the transportation of employees pursuant to a contract with their employer, the Commission finds that this application conforms to the requirements of Commission Regulation No. 70. It is further found, based on the evidence of record as described in Order No. 2370, that applicant is fit, willing and able properly to provide the service described above and to conform to the requirements of the Compact and the rules, regulations and orders of the Commission thereunder.

A certificate of insurance and an affidavit attesting that applicant's vehicles are properly identified are already on file. Applicant must file two copies of a WMATC tariff consisting of a cover sheet and a fully executed copy of its contract with USDA before an authorization to operate may issue. Said tariff copies should be filed no later than Friday, October 1, 1982.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

FOR THE COMMISSION:

WILLIAM H. McGILVERY Executive Director